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Charisse has over 20 years experience in the information technology industry, including 15 years in security product development, marketing and business development. Prior to joining Layer N, she was with Internet Security Systems Inc. (ISSX) where as Director of Business Development she formed partnerships with Nokia Internet Communications and Check Point Software Technologies to accelerate the adoption of network based intrusion detection.

At Haystack Labs, an early intrusion detection company, she created and supported OEM relationships with Sun Microsystems and Network Systems (now Storage Technologies). As VP of Engineering and OEM Sales for SecureWare Inc. she managed the development and licensing of the core security technology now used in the HP Virtual Vault. She also has 8 years of experience developing and managing complex system engineering projects in the fields of telephony, supercomputers, and missile systems.

Charisse earned her undergraduate degree in Electrical Engineering/Computer Science from University of California at Berkeley and her JD from the University of Texas at Austin. She regularly participates in the annual Computer Law Conference held in Austin Texas speaking on technology areas that affect the practice of law focusing on security and privacy technology.

She is currently serving a 4 year appointment to the Information Systems Security and Privacy Advisory Board under the Department of Commerce.